

Existing law defines a preexisting public school that is converted and operated as the result of and pursuant to a charter between a nonprofit corporation and a local school board as a Type 3 charter school. A Type 4 charter school is a preexisting public school that is converted and operated or a new school operated as the result of and pursuant to a charter between a local school board and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE).

Prior law provided that creation of a Type 3 charter school required approval by the members of the faculty and staff who are certified by BESE and by the parents or guardians of children enrolled in the school. Provided that creation of a Type 4 charter school required approval by the members of the professional faculty and staff and by the parents or guardians of children enrolled in the school.

New law removes the statutory requirement for such approval but authorizes the school board, for Type 3 charters, and BESE, for Type 4 charters, to require such approval.

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